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The invention relates to a storage medium for storing information/data, wherein the storage medium comprises a dielectric storage material, more particularly a disk-shaped storage material on which a metal ion donor medium is arranged or can be applied on at least one side thereof. Metal ions can be transferred from the donor medium onto the storage medium by exposing the storage medium to radiation, more particularly to laser radiation. The invention also relates to a storage medium for storing information/data, wherein the storage medium comprises a dielectric storage material, more particularly a disk-shaped storage material having at least one local metal ion doping, wherein the metal ions can be converted into metal particles and/or metal particles agglomerations by means of radiation, more particularly laser radiation. The invention further relates to a method for storing and/or reading data with a storage medium, more particularly in accordance with one of the above mentioned claims, whereby doping of the storage medium/material with metal ions from a donor medium arranged on the storage medium/material is carried out by radiating the storage medium/material with a electromagnetic and/or particle radiation, more particularly laser radiation, or information in the storage material is stored in a dielectric storage material that is at least locally doped with metal ions through local metal particle formation from the metal ions by radiating the storage medium/material with electromagnetic and/or particle radiation more particularly laser radiation, and/or stored information is read by transmission and/or reflection scanning the storage material with the above-mentioned radiation.